

teaching, or even suggestion, in Scholer that the ion exchange material be present in a cartridge.

For this reason, additionally, it is considered that the rejection of Claims 4-9 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Scholer lacks merit.

An early allowance of the claims and case is requested.

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